

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) The A specially processed extract of *Radix Stephaniae tetrandrae* (SPRST) comprising ~~contains~~ tetrrandrine (Tet), fangchinoline (Fan), cyclanoline (Cyc) oblongine (Obl) alkaloids and other compounds with biological activity.

2. (Withdrawn) A assay specially processed extract of *Radix Stephaniae tetrandrae* (SPRST) methods,

Standard solution, an accurately weighed amount of the four standard alkaloids, tetrrandrine, fangchinoline, cyclanoline and oblongine were dissolved in MeOH;

Calibration curves were established based on five points covering a concentration range of 12.5-250 $\mu$ g/ml for tetrrandrine, 12.5-250 $\mu$ g/ml for fangchinoline, 163.7-1637.5 $\mu$ g/ml for cyclanoline, 145-1450 $\mu$ g/ml for oblongine;

Standard solution (20 $\mu$ l) were used for HPLC injections (n=5). Calibration graphs were plotted subsequent to linear regression analysis of the peak area with concentrations.

3. (Currently amended) The A specially processed extract of *Radix Stephaniae tetrandrae* (SPRST) comprising ~~is a pharmaceutical compound mixture with anti inflammatory effects that contains alkaloids such as~~ tetrrandrine (Tet), fangchinoline (Fan), cyclanoline (Cyc), and oblongine (Obl), other compounds with biological activity ~~as its main components~~. Various and optionally containing diluents and and/or excipients, wherein the extract has anti-inflammatory activity ~~could be included in SPRST preparation when necessary~~.

4.(Currently amended) The A specially processed extract of *Radix Stephaniae tetrandrae* (SPRST), ~~a pharmaceutical compound mixture displaying protective effect against ischaemic-reperfusion injury, features~~ comprising alkaloids as its main components including tetrrandrine

(Tet), fangchinoline (Fan), cyclanoline (Cyc), and oblongine (Obl), other compounds with biological activity and optionally containing . Various diluents and/or and excipients wherein the extract has protective activity against ischaemic-reperfusion injury could be included in SPRST when necessary.